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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Docket No. 403120)

In re the Application of: ) Customer No.: 27717  
Harold Mattice, et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/824,621 ) Group Art Unit: 3714  
Filed: April 2, 2001 ) Examiner: Corbett B. Coburn  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ) Confirmation No.: 1062  
CONTROLLING ACCESS TO )  
AREAS OF GAMING MACHINES )

TO: MAIL STOP: Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2005, appreciation is expressed for the telephone interview with the Examiner on January 21, 2005.

Per the examiner's request by telephone, a copy of the amendment of May 13, 2003 is enclosed, to replace missing portions from the PTO file. It should be noted that claims including markings to show the amendments were enclosed in that amendment, in accordance with the practice that was in force at that time.

Also, per the request of the examiner, we enclose a copy below of the claims as they presently stand, indicating the amendments of the claims per the May 13, 2003 amendment.